[Mr. R. M. Statham.]

(*b*) Six

1 Mr. Changanachery K. Parameswaran Pillai, B.A., B. L.
2 ,, P. K. Narayana Pillai, B. A., B. L.
3 ,, A. Thanu Pillai, B. A., B. L.
4 ,, K. Sankaran, B. A., B. L.
5 ,, Pacode A. Narayana Pillai, B. A., B. L.
6 ,, K. Mahomed, B. A.

(*c*) Four

1 Mr. P. Balakrishnan Tampi, B. A., B. L.
2 ,, S. Piraviperumal Pillai
3 ,, C. M. Joseph
4 ,, K. Sivarama Panicker, B. A., L. T.

(*d*) The member is referred to the answers to parts (*a*), (*b*) & (*c*).

(*e*) The Government, on the recommendation of the Director of Public Instruction.

(*f*) Suitability for the purpose.

(*g*) No. Such a statement can serve no useful purpose.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether any of the nominated members are elected to the Board from amongst the members of the Assembly and the State Council?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): If the honourable member means whether any nominated member of the Assembly and the State Council is represented on the Board, the answer is no.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member why the elected members were nominated to the Board?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): That question, Sir, has come under next question. But I can answer that direct now. It was thought advisable that as far as possible 50 per cent. of the Board would have elected members on it.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Sir, the answer is not clear. So I put this question. May I know from the member whether he undertook in addition to correspond with the members and obtain their approval before they were nominated?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): No, Sir.

Selection of members to the Education Advisory Board.

204. ***MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) what was the promise that the Director of Public instruction has made on behalf of the Government in the matter of the formation of the Education Advisory Board;

(*b*) the principle under which the members to the Board have been selected; and

(*c*) for what purpose the Education Advisory Board has been constituted?

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MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) The member is referred to the Proceedings of the Sri Mulam Assembly, dated the 15th November 1933.

(*b*) No one principle was exclusively followed. Many considerations were taken into account.

(*c*) To advise the Director of Public Instruction regarding the recommendations made by the Education Reforms Committee.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): With regard to the answer to part (*a*), may I know from the member whether he, on behalf of the Government, undertook, in the proceedings that he just referred to, to nominate only elected members from the Assembly and the Council?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): No.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Can I point out that he has undertaken to nominate from the elected members only?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): In view of the recommendations received from the Director, the Government are prepared to have 50 per cent. of the Advisory Board from the members of the Assembly and the State Council mainly from the elected members.

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The member has already read the reference and the Government in appointing the Advisory Board did not go beyond the Director and put only 50 per cent.

Nomination of members to the Education Advisory Board.

205. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many members there are in the Education Advisory Board altogether;

(*b*) how many of them are employed in the Government service;

(*c*) how many are employed in the grant-in-aid institutions of the State;

(*d*) how many are connected with or interested in the grant-in aid institutions in the State;

(*e*) how many are related to those employed in Government institutions; and

(*f*) whether the Director was advised by anybody or exercised his independent choice in the matter of selection of members to the Board?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Twenty.

(*b*) None.

(*c*) Three.

(*d*) Five.

(*e*) Information on the point is not available.

(*f*) The Director exercised his independent choice in making his recommendation to Government.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): With reference to part (*d*) of the answer, may I know whether the Director of Public Instruction has a list of the staff of aided schools, and of people in charge of the schools?

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